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TWO PHYSICIANS AT ODDS

They Disagree About the Case of Secretary Gresham.

REFUSED A CONSULTATION

Dr. W. W. Johnston Did Not Think That an Allotment Was Obligated to Recognize Homeopathy—Dr. Henry Krogstad Believes He Has Been Badly Treated.

Two Washington physicians, of different schools of medicine, have recently crossed paths, and the result is a subject of interested discussion among those acquainted with the story.

For several years Dr. Henry Krogstad has been the physician of Secretary Gresham. He had successfully treated the Secretary in several attacks of a trouble which originated during the war and up to a short time ago had been in attendance upon him.

In the latest attack he found the Secretary suffering from complications arising from the chronic complaint, and after a recovery because of his generally debilitated state. He regarded the case as satisfactory, though, and expected that the complications would disappear with the relief of the immediate trouble.

FAMILY WERE ANXIOUS. The family of Secretary Gresham, however, were anxious for a consultation, and Dr. Krogstad consented to have one.

Thereupon Dr. W. W. Johnston was asked by the family to consult with Dr. Krogstad. Now the latter is a homeopath while Dr. Johnston is an allopath and consequently Dr. Johnston declined to join in consultation on the ground that he did not recognize the homeopathic scheme as regular. He was willing, though, it is said, to see the patient at any time when Dr. Krogstad was present.

This he was permitted to do and made a different diagnosis from that of the homeopath. He said that Secretary Gresham was suffering from pleurisy. Started by this information the family asked Dr. Johnston to take the case.

DR. KROGSTAD IRRITATED. In the meantime Dr. Krogstad had not been notified of the proceedings and was expecting the consultation. Upon calling he found that the case was in charge of Dr. Johnston and he feels not only that the family should have shown him more consideration in view of the past relations with them and also that Dr. Johnston has committed a breach of professional courtesy.

Dr. Johnston, it is understood, takes the ground that he is not at fault in the matter, inasmuch as he does not regard the school of Dr. Krogstad as orthodox.

Dr. Johnston was at Representative Hitt's residence when The Times reporter called last night. He had left instructions with a butler that he was not to be seen, and all efforts to send up a card proved fruitless.

When Dr. Krogstad was seen he positively refused to speak for publication, and to questions merely replied:

"See, Mrs. Gresham, I have nothing to say."

He had seen Secretary Gresham yesterday morning, he said. This information was evidently unintentional, for when the Times man asked him as to his opinion of the distinguished patient's condition, he answered in an emphatic manner:

"I will not talk for the press," and then hurriedly bowed the reporter out.

The Use of the Hump.

A countryman strolled into the London Zoo and, after looking curiously at the camel for a few moments, he turned to the keeper and said:

"I say, mister, what's he have that hump for?"

"What does he have that hump for?" repeated the keeper.

"Yes. What's the good of it?" asked the visitor.

"Why—er—it makes a camel of him, of course," replied the keeper, after some hesitation.

"People wouldn't travel miles to see him if he didn't have that hump. Fact is, without it he might as well be a cow."

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WEDLOCK AT A DISCOUNT

Marriage Almost Unknown in Many of the City's Alleys.

REMARKABLE REVELATIONS

Startling Corroboration by Male and Female Missionaries of the Statement That in One Alley Live Seventy Couples in a State of Lawlessness—Plans for Remedy.

If Christ were to come to Washington to-day and walk into any of its alleys, He could probably repeat to nine out of ten the women of Samaria: "You have truly said you have no husband. But you have had five husbands, and the man you are living with now is not your husband."

That was a vivid and startling story told in a few words in the police court, Friday last, by an officer of the law, that there were more than seventy-five people living together out of wedlock in one small alley of Washington. It would, perhaps, be impossible to tell the story more graphically or to paint the picture in more sombre moral tones than in the way of the policeman.

Several pilgrimages with a mission have been made by The Times into these alleys in the interest of charity and health. That there were precincts that were badly tainted, that the moral air was almost as bad as the physical atmosphere, was pretty generally known, but it is only in cases like the present when the scum is broken on the pool, or some one looks through the cloak of negligence, or mantle of charity, that the appalling hideousness of their reeking immorality and crimes appear.

MISSIONARY WORK NEEDED.

There has been no rattling up of the dry bones in these alleys of vice since emancipation, when the colored folk were advised to marry and be like white people. The blast of The Times was heard in these desolate places yesterday and there will undoubtedly some good come of it. What The Times had to say on the subject was couched on very favorable terms.

There is a general opinion caught from those who talked on the issue yesterday that there is ample room for good missionary work in the line of putting aside those whom Death has joined right here in Washington.

The effort yesterday was directed to discovering whether there was exaggeration in the officer's statement. Quite a number of people were seen and interviewed.

A prominent minister on G street northwest said that while it was the custom of some of the churches to hold open-air meetings in these alleys, yet they knew practically nothing of the infamy of the inside. It was the missions of the city, he said, who were principally familiar with the facts.

The W. C. T. U., he said, had done splendid work in these places, and among them he mentioned Mrs. La Petra. He was very glad to see The Times enter into the investigation of the infamy of the inside. It was the missions of the city, he said, who were principally familiar with the facts.

Mrs. La Petra, who has been working among the lowly for years, was not at all surprised at the revelation. The prevalence of this class of vice was known to the workers in the alleys, but there appeared to be no law to enforce, even if an attempt were made to enforce it.

There could be only one sentiment on the subject and the conclusion was that the law as existing should not be permitted to continue.

"But," she said, "it is not only the colored people who are tainted by the law in this respect. There are others in better classes and conditions of society."

The Y. M. C. A., white and colored, it was pointed out, have no organizations or committees working exclusively, or directly in their interest.

The Central Union Mission has Rev. E. B. Bailey. The president of the board of directors, said that The Times was engaged in a very laudable work in this relation, and that the field was ample.

MORAL LEPROSY.

"I am not only shocked now at the extent of this moral leprosy in the alleys, but it was a serious cause of alarm when our workers first went into these slums. I have not the slightest doubt that the policeman's numbers are approximately correct."

"Now, what do you think of this instance. We investigated each case and know everything to be absolutely true. In a short alley there are twelve houses. In one of the houses are families and one of them are the father and mother of the offspring married."

"This, perhaps, is an extreme case, but every alley the percentage is high enough to present an alarming state of morals. The church tries to reach these people in its way and I have reasons to believe that the colored people are doing good missionary work."

The charity organizations, of course, know a great deal about this kind of living. Mr. Emery, of the associated charities, said that his organization was in the best position of any in the city, or of any other source of information, to be conversant with the subject.

"It is all true," he said. "There is no question that thousands are living together utterly regardless of the sanctity or even because of the immorality. They like to live in bonds that are as easy to unmake as they are to make."

Mr. Emery regards this prevalent loose use of morals as a relic of slavery. Marriage was the vaulting over a broomstick, and meant, perhaps, nothing more stable.

WILL TAKE YEARS TO ERADICATE. It will require years, he said, to create a better, a higher moral tone in this low class which has inherited a great deal that was bad in the old traditions, and has been set truly civilized.

The vice of this character, according to a thinking and able colored clergyman, is much greater in Washington than elsewhere because of the restrictions there put on the restrictions of the more elevating neighborhoods.

The Rev. Mr. Dymon, at No. 225 D street southeast, said that he had noticed the agitation and was glad it had been commenced. It is interesting, he said, like a disease. "I don't think," he said, "that the tradition of the colored race will account for it. I remember how busy we were kept after the war solemnizing marriages which were mere forms before the war. A note of conscience from the slave's master or a 'Here, Lucy, you can have Jake,' was all that was sufficient."

I think the colored people as a general rule have as high a regard for marriage as any other race, but there is no denying that there is an awful lot of living together in the unwedded state in Washington. Haven't one of the ladies connected with the pastor's church said that it was well understood among the church-going people that these places were filled up with overlooking with the ugliest and the vilest.

"We know," she said, "that they are living in hands like cattle, without fear of God or man. I sometimes wish that the Ten O'clock law was again in force, and that the streets and parks were emptied at a reasonable time at night. One of the fruitful causes of it all is LIVING IN HERDS."

the constant appearance, at night and at all times of night, of couples in the parks and in the streets. That privilege at least to be abolished. We know that not one couple, perhaps, out of fifty, is married, but what can be done to help it? We simply do all we can to show them the evil of their ways."

Rev. F. H. Hill, of Metropolitan Wesley Zion Church, southwest, was heartily in accord with anything to bring about a wholesome condition of things in the alleys.

"I am quite glad," said he, "that a crusade, if you can call it so, has been inaugurated. The evils exist and I am pleased to see that the city is trying to get the law on its side. It is, of course, well known that only a small part of these denizens of these sinks of iniquity are married."

"They are shrewd enough, however, to endeavor to evade responsibility. The common plan is to play the boarders' game. A man is known to be living with a woman, and both, or either, unmarried. They try and investigate it. The man says he is boarding with this lady. She swears to it, and then the next day the investigation is dropped. I take it for granted she has 'another gentleman.' There is no such thing as ever living together for long in this alley. 'They change husbands' and wives as often as they change their clothes—that is, about once every six months. But it is not a rowdy affair. They are quite a peaceful set, and are really happy in this community of wife and husband business."

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